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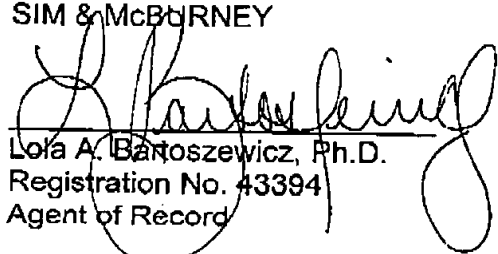
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This is a request of the withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of the above identified patent application. The Notice of Abandonment states that the required issue fee and publication fee were not timely paid, however, this is not the case. The Notice of Allowance was issued on May 28, 2004 and thus the Issue and Publication Fees were due by August 28, 2004. The Fee Transmittal was completed and faxed to the U.S. Patent Office on August 16, 2004 and a confirmation Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission was received on the same date. These documents are enclosed herewith as evidence that the fees were timely paid.

In view of the foregoing, it is requested that the application be immediately reinstated and proceed to issuance.

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